

A New National Park



TASK: The Federal Government of Canada has given you money and permission to create a new National Park. These are the conditions they have set:

1. It must be a showcase for all the things an ecozone can offer.
2. It must be in an ecozone that does not already have many protected areas.
3. It may be up to 5000 km² in size.



STEP ONE – Choose an ecozone for your new National Park.

Ecozone chosen:

Other National Parks already in this ecozone (if any):

Give two reasons why you have selected this ecozone for a new National Park:

1.

2.



STEP TWO – Pinpoint the exact location of the park within the ecozone

Using an atlas of Canada, choose a location for your new ecozone.

Draw a map of the ecozone in which it will be located.

Include any major towns, cities, or other parks.

Draw the scale of the map.

Draw the boundaries of the new National Park (it must be less than 5000 km²)

Scale_____

Ecozone map for new National Park. *Boundaries of the park are marked with*_____



STEP THREE – Give the new National Park a name

Choose a name that refers to an already existing natural feature, First Nation, or cultural activity from this part of Canada.

Name of new national park:



STEP FOUR – Create a National Park Brochure

Use what you already know about your ecozone, and what you can find on the internet about that region of Canada to create a brochure for your new National Park.

Use this table to help you gather information for your National Park brochure (write in point form)

	Details
Climate	
Landscape and Geology	
Location & History of human inhabitants	
Vegetation	
Wildlife	
Possible Activities	

National Park of Canada

Climate

Location & History

Landscape & Geology



National Park of Canada



Vegetation



Wildlife



Activities

Contact Information

Name: _____

A New National Park Rubric

	Meets the standard with distinction (Level 4)	Meets the standard (Level 3)	Almost meets the standard (Level 2)	Needs work to achieve the standard (Level 1)
step one (worksheet) <i>Thinking/Inquiry</i>	meets the standard and ... reasons given are clearly stated and could convince the government to establish the National Park	worksheet correctly identifies other National Parks in this ecozone two reasons are given that show understanding of geographic conditions in ecozone (climate, vegetation, soil, landforms, wildlife, etc.)	not all parks in the ecozone are identified ... reasons given often show understanding of geographic conditions in ecozone	few of the other parks in the ecozone are identified ... reasons given show incomplete understanding of geographic conditions in ecozone
step two (worksheet) <i>Application</i>	meets the standard and ... location chosen showcases most of the things the ecozone can offer	ecozone is outlined, and all required elements (towns, other parks, scale, and new park boundaries) are included location chosen showcases many of the things the ecozone can offer (e.g. climate, vegetation, soil, landforms, wildlife, etc.)	not all of the required elements appear on the ecozone map ... location chosen showcases several things the ecozone can offer	few of the required elements appear on the ecozone map ... location chosen showcases one thing the ecozone can offer
step four (worksheet) <i>Application</i>	meets the standard and ... a variety of sources have been used to complete the point form notes ... sources are carefully recorded	the point form notes on the worksheet show evidence of reference to maps, atlases, textbooks, and electronic (internet/CD-ROM resources)	the point form notes on the worksheet show some evidence of reference to maps, atlases, textbooks, and electronic (internet/CD-ROM resources)	the point form notes on the worksheet show little evidence of reference to maps, atlases, textbooks, and electronic (internet/CD-ROM resources)
geography content (brochure) <i>Knowledge</i>	meets the standard and ... geographical facts are interesting, showing considerable research	the information on climate, landscape, geology, location, history, vegetation, wildlife, and activities is correct for the ecozone chosen	most of the information on climate, landscape, geology, location, history, vegetation, wildlife, and activities is correct for the ecozone chosen	some of the information on climate, landscape, geology, location, history, vegetation, wildlife, and activities is correct for the ecozone chosen
sense of audience (brochure) <i>Communication</i>	meets the standard and ... the profile sheet provides an excellent advertisement for the new National Park	information written provides a good overview for a general audience (anyone who might visit a National Park) language used is descriptive and detailed but not too technical	information provides some overview for a general audience ... language used is sometimes descriptive and detailed	information provides an incomplete overview for a general audience
language and appearance (brochure) <i>Communication</i>	meets the standard and ... the electronic blank profile sheet (in MS Word) is used to produce a neat and professional-looking product ... there are almost no flaws in spelling, grammar or punctuation	the profile sheet is filled in neatly by hand there are few flaws in grammar, spelling, sentence structure or punctuation	the profile sheet is filled in by hand ... there are several flaws in grammar, spelling, sentence structure or punctuation	the profile sheet does not look like a final draft ... the flaws in grammar, spelling, sentence structure or punctuation interfere with communication